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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the document listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08a, and respectfully request that the listed document be considered by the Examiner and made of record in the above-captioned application. Copies of the foreign references are enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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